



Dear Ridgeline Families,

I hope your summer is going well and you have had time to spend with family and friends. This past school year was a great year for Ridgeline. It is time to start planning for another amazing school year, but please squeeze every ounce you can out of summer the next few weeks!

I believe we have an incredible staff here at Ridgeline. They work together as a highly functioning team. This results in high levels of learning for ALL students! I am very grateful to be a part of this school.

Our area of focus this year is improving our ability as a staff to deliver effective instruction using authentic literacy with an emphasis on close reading, writing, and discussion. We are excited as a staff to receive training in these areas from Mike Schmoker, who is considered by many as the top expert in the United States in training staff on effective instruction using authentic literacy! I believe our students will greatly benefit from the training our staff will receive.

I am a firm believer in open communication and in working together to solve problems. I believe that having strong partnerships between home and school is a key factor to ensuring that all students can learn at a high level. As principal, my door is always open to any student and/or parent and I welcome your input. As research shows, there is a strong correlation between student academic success and parental involvement. Again, I look forward to working with you and your students this year.

I would like to put in a plug for the importance of attendance:

Ridgeline embraces the philosophy that regular attendance in class greatly enhances the learning opportunities of the individual student as well as the class as a whole. The dynamics of interactive instruction and the interaction of students and teachers in a class, once lost, cannot be regained. Frequent absences from the classroom disrupts the learning process for the student, the class, and the teacher. Learning at a high level requires consistency and continuity of instruction. This includes class participation, authentic study, and attendance.

- **Student check-in will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 9th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, Wednesday, Aug. 10th from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm and Thursday, Aug, 11th from 10:00 to 2:00 pm.** *At check-in, all students will get their picture taken for the yearbook and obtain a student ID, get a school locker and pay school fees (to avoid crowds, we encourage you to pay by mail or online at schoolcashionline.com. There is no longer an additional convenience fee to pay online). Students and parents are welcome to walk around and get familiar with the school and where student's classes will be held. To limit the number of people in the building, students with parent/guardian only please.*
 - o These dates are our school picture days. PLEASE BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SCHOOL,DRESS POLICY.
 - o Make-up picture day is Tuesday, August 23rd and final re-take day is Wednesday, September 28th.

- RiverHawk Academy (Freshman orientation) will be Wednesday, August 17th from 8:00am to 1:30pm. District buses will run their regular school routes. *Lunch is provided.*
- First day of classes will be Thursday, August 18th. All students attend.
- Class schedules will be available on PowerSchool the evening of August 2nd. No schedule changes will take place on the first day of any trimester. Please attend those classes listed on your schedule.
- Lunch money will be taken by check or cash at student check-in on Aug. 9th, 10th and 11th. Free/reduced lunch forms are available on-line or in the finance office. (We encourage you to pay lunch money online through ezschooldpay.com)
- Yearbooks must be ordered and paid for by December 1, 2022 before receiving them at the end of the school year.
- All students will be enrolled in a Flex class. You can find out more information at the Flex quick link on the Ridgeline homepage.
- The principal of each school has been designated as the school level administrator of fees and fee waivers for those who qualify. Families requesting fee waivers will be asked to provide proof of income by submitting last year's tax return.
- No student will be denied the opportunity to participate in a class or school sponsored/supported activity because of an inability to pay.
- Under Utah State Law, schools must allow students to carry and use their asthma inhalers while at school. Those who use inhalers while at school must fill out an asthma self-administration form. This must be submitted on-line through PowerSchool/CareDox.
- The school calendar and handbook is online at: <http://www.ccsdut.org/Ridgeline>
- We have included in this mailing a copy of the Cache County School District calendar and dress code policy. Other documents are available on-line by going to: <https://www.ccsdut.org/Page/2279>. These documents include student check-in/ registration information, bell schedule, calendar, dress policy, Flex information , Emergency Notification System Registration, District Fee Schedule, Superintendent Letter, School Fees Notice , FERPA, Free/Reduced Lunch Application, School Fee Waiver, Athletics/Activities Registration. All forms are also available in the main office.

We're excited to start the new school year at Ridgeline High School!

Sincerely,

Doug Snow
 Andy Lund
 DeAnna Stallings

Ridgeline High School Administration